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January 9, 2012

Jocelyn Boyd, Esq. Chief Clerk/Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29211

Dear Ms. Boyd:

AT&T South Carolina respectfully submits this letter to: (a) give the Commission notice that effective January 22, 2012, AT&T South Carolina will increase prices for its stand-alone basic residential lines that remain subject to the inflation-based price index set forth in S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-576(C)(2); and (b) demonstrate AT&T South Carolina's compliance with that index.

AT&T South Carolina "may increase its rates for [these lines] on an annual basis by a percentage that does not exceed the percentage increase over the prior year in the Gross Domestic Product Price Index, as reported by the United States Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics." *See* S.C. Code Ann. §58-9-576(C)(2). Attachment A to this letter reflects a 2.37% increase in the GDP-PI from the third quarter 2010 (111.162) to the third quarter 2011 (113.796).

Attachment B to this letter reflects AT&T South Carolina's current prices for these lines in each rate group (which have remained unchanged since at least November 1, 2008) and the new prices AT&T South Carolina will begin charging for these services in each rate group on January 22, 2012. In each instance, the new rate is no more than 2.37% higher than the current rate.

Yours very truly,

Executive Director

cc: Dawn Hipp, ORS

Tom Allen, ORS

See AT&T South Carolina's September 25, 2009 Letter Submitting Tariff Revisions (stating that on a going-forward basis, AT&T South Carolina will make appropriate filings with the Commission, with copies to the ORS, to give notice of such increases and to demonstrate compliance with this statutory provision).

# ATTACHMENT A

#### Bureau of Economic Analysis National Income and Product Accounts Table

### Table 1.1.4. Price Indexes for Gross Domestic Product [Index numbers, 2005=100] Beasonally adjusted

Today is: 11/28/2011 Last Revised on November 22, 2011 Next Release Date December 22, 2011							
Line		2010	2010	2010	2010		
1.		1	#	181	IV		
1	Gross domestic product	110.370	110.770	111.162	111.699		
2	Personal consumption expenditures				111.673		
3	Goods			104.497			
4	Durable goods				90.507		
5	Nondurable goods				114.092		
6	Services				115.037		
7	Gross private domestic investment				105.199		
8	Fixed investment	104.818	104,693	104.826	105.035		
9	Nonresidential	105.237	105.293	105.424	105,536		
10	Structures	119.947	120.647	121.399	122,475		
111	Equipment and software	99.860	99.677	99,595	99.406		
12	Residential				102.563		
13	Change in private inventories						
14	Net exports of goods and services				_		
15	Exports	108.955	110.295	110.461	112.757		
16	Goods	107.762	109.215	109.386	112.396		
17	Services				113.494		
18	Imports			111.994			
19	Goods				113,7B0		
20	Services	113.763	113.979	114.431	116.088		
21	Government consumption expenditures and				118,341		
	gross investment	1		l	1		
22	Federal				114.331		
23	National defense				114.802		
24	Nondefense				113.380		
25	State and local	119.030	119.404	119.627	120.757		

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Line		2011	2011	2011			
1 '			11	81			
1	Gross domestic product	112.390	113.091	113.796			
2	Personal consumption expenditures		113,666				
3	Goods		108.752				
4	Durable goods			90.629			
5	Nondurable goods			120.707			
6	Services	115.574	116.280	116.841			
17	Gross private domestic investment		106,342				
8	Fixed investment			106.402			
9	Nonresidential			106.986			
10	Structures			127.560			
11	Equipment and software			99.788			
12	Residential	102.958	103.479	103.560			
13	Change in private inventories						
14	Net exports of goods and services	. –					
15				118.737			
16	Goods			118.979			
17	Services			118.031			
18	Imports			122.558			
19	Goods			123.163			
20	Services			118.760			
21	Government consumption expenditures and gross investment	119.910	121.146	121.515			
22	Federal	1115.827	1116.902	117,422			
23	National defense			118.130			
24	Nondefense			116.014			
25				123.977			
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# ATTACHMENT B

#### A3. BASIC LOCAL EXCHANGE SERVICE

#### A3.1 General

- A. Basic local exchange service is comprised of exchange access lines defined as follows:
  - Exchange Access Line The serving central office line equipment and all Company plant facilities up to the demarcation point. These facilities are Company-provided and maintained and provide access to and from the telecommunications network for message toll service and for local calling appropriate to the tariffed use offering selected by the customer.
- B. Exchange access lines are subject to the nonrecurring charges specified in Section A4.
- C. Rates for basic local exchange service are related to the total number of exchange access lines and PBX trunks in the local calling area.
- D. Customers subscribing to a total of 1000 or more PBX trunks or Network Access Registers (NARs), aggregated on a statewide basis, will receive a ten percent discount on the monthly recurring rates for these services and on any billed local usage associated with these PBX trunks or NARs. Service furnished under the Sharing and Resale of Basic Local Exchange Service offering will be excluded. Customer accounts will be reviewed annually to determine eligibility for the discount.
- E. Base Rate Areas, Zone Rate Areas and Exchange Service Areas for each exchange are identified on maps filed as a supplement to this Tariff.
- F. Rate Group Definition

Group	Exchange Access Lines and PBX Trunks Upper Limits
i	7,000
2	15,000
3	28,500
4	50,000
5	78,000
6	125,000
7	Unlimited

#### A3.2 Statewide Rate Schedules

#### A3.2.1 Flat Rate Service

- A. Basic Flat Rate Service
  - The following statewide schedule of rates is applicable to basic flat rate exchange access line service. The rates specified
    herein, with zone charges when applicable to service furnished outside the base rate area of an exchange, entitle
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    within the serving exchange and basic service area additional exchanges listed in A3.4, Local Calling Areas.
  - 2. Monthly Rates By Rate Group
    - a. Residence Individual Lines
      - (1) Rate Groups 1 4

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		1	2	3	4	USOC	
	(a) Per line	\$13.30	\$13.78	\$14.25	\$14.72	1FR	(1)
(2)	Rate Groups 5 - 7						١٠,
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		5	6	7		USOC	
	(a) Per line	\$15.19	\$15.66	\$16.14		1FR	(I)

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(a) Per line	5 \$15.55	6 \$16.03	7 \$16.52		USOC IFR	(I)
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